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Under the provisions of Section 413.031 of the Texas Workers' Compensation Act, Title 5, Subtitle A of the Texas Labor Code, effective June 17, 2001 and Commission Rule 133.305, titled Medical Dispute Resolution-General, and 133.307, titled Medical Dispute Resolution of a Medical Fee Dispute, a review was conducted by the Division regarding a medical fee dispute between the requestor and the respondent named above. This dispute was received on 3-28-03.

I. DISPUTE

Whether there should be reimbursement for CPT codes: 22899 and 64714.

II. FINDINGS & RATIONALE

DOS	CPT	Billed	Paid	EOB	MAR\$	Reference	Rationale
	CODE			Denial	(Maximum		
				Code	Allowable		
					Reimbursement)		
7-16-02	22899	\$1200.00	\$00.00	N	DOP	Surgery GR	The placement of surgical dynamics
						(I)(A)	titanium threaded fusion cages
	22899	\$850.00	\$00.00	N	DOP	Surgery GR	bilaterally, reconstruction of iliac
						(I)(A)	crest and preparation of the
	22899	\$500.00	\$00.00	N	DOP	Surgery GR	posterior element were documented,
						(I)(A)	reimbursement of \$1200.00 +
							\$850.00 + 500.00 = \$2550.00
	64714	\$657.50	\$0.00	G	\$1315.00 X 50%	Surgery GR	Nuroplasty of lumbar plexus is not
					= \$657.50	(I)(D)(1)(b)	global to service billed on this date,
							reimbursement of \$657.50 is
							recommended.
TOTAL							The requestor is entitled to
							reimbursement of \$3207.50.

III. DECISION & ORDER

Based upon the review of the disputed healthcare services within this request, the Division has determined that the requestor **is** entitled to reimbursement for CPT codes, 22899 and 64714 in the amount of **\$3207.50**. Pursuant to Sections 402.042, 413.016, 413.031, and 413.019 the Division hereby ORDERS the Respondent to remit **\$3207.50** plus all accrued interest due at the time of payment to the Requestor within 20 days receipt of this Order.

The above Findings, Decision and Order are hereby issued this 2nd day of February 2005.

Elizabeth Pickle Medical Dispute Resolution Officer Medical Review Division